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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS R)
SUBJECT: MRS. VANCE'S SCHEDULE IN ALEXANDRIA

REF: STATE 193269

1. IN OFFERING SUGGESTIONS FOR MRS. VANCE'S SCHEDULE WE NOTE MRS. VANCE VISITED PRINCIPAL GRECO-ROMAN HISTORICAL SITES IN ALEXANDRIA DURING AUGUST 1977 SECRETARY'S VISIT. OTHER POINTS OF SCENIC/HISTORIC INTEREST ARE FEW. IN VIEW OF THAT AND UNLESS MRS. VANCE WOULD PREFER RETURN TO CERTAIN SITES ALREADY VISITED, E.G. MUSEUM, AMPITHEATER, SUGGEST EMBASSY COULD ARRANGE MORNING VISIT TO RAS-AL-TIN PALACE, FORMER OFFICIAL SUMMER RESIDENCE OF KING. SHOULD MRS. VANCE BE AGREEABLE THAT SUGGESTION, EMBASSY WOULD PROCEED WITH ARRANGEMENTS FOR MORNING TOUR RAS-AL-TIN, WHICH SHOULD TAKE APPROXIMATELY TWO HOURS, INCLUDING TRAVEL TIME. PERHAPS LATER INFORMAL LUNCH COULD BE HOSTED BY MRS. EILTS AND MRS. MCCLELLAND (AMCONGEN'S WIFE).

2. REGARDS LUNCH, SAME PROBLEMS APPLY ALEXANDRIA AS CAIRO. MOREOVER, WE ARE UNAWARE OF WHICH OFFICIAL WIVES MIGHT BE AVAILABLE TO ATTEND, THOUGH WE PRESUME MRS. KAMEL AND SOME OF THE PRESIDENCY WIVES WILL BE
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IN ALEXANDRIA DURING PERIOD OF VISIT. IF MRS. VANCE DESIRES US ARRANGE SOMETHING ON THE ORDER WE HAD PLANNED IN CAIRO, PLEASE LET US KNOW ASAP SO WE CAN ENDEAVOR WORK OUT APPROPRIATE GUEST LIST WITH AMCONGEN ALEXANDRIA.

3. PROPOSED TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR MRS. VANCE FOLLOWS:

AUGUST 8, 1978:

0940 - DEPART PALESTINE HOTEL
1030 - ARRIVE RAS-AL-TIN PALACE

1130 - DEPART RAS-AL-TIN PALACE

1210 - ARRIVE PALESTINE HOTEL
- (MRS. VANCE COULD OPT TO RETURN PALESTINE HOTEL FOR
REST OR PROCEED DIRECTLY AMCONGEN'S RESIDENCE FOR SHORT
REST THERE BEFORE LUNCH.)

1315 - DEPART PALESTINE HOTEL

1350 - ARRIVE AMCONGEN'S RESIDENCE

1415 - LUNCH

4. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S ADVICE RE ABOVE
SUGGESTIONS ASAP. EILTS

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